



BIRTH TO THREE PROGRAM

News from Diane Fett, Birth to 3 Director

Hello,

Happy Spring! We are hard at work preparing for a self assessment or review of our Birth to 3 Program. The purpose of the Review is to assure quality services for children and families in Fond du Lac County's Birth to 3 Program. We realize that how well we do in our job matters to children and families. Our Review will be completed at the end of March so I will share the results with you in our Summer Newsletter.

In 2008, 274 children were referred to our Birth to 3 Program. 130 children were referred by their Physicians, 41 children were referred by other County Agencies, 14 children were referred by Hospitals and 59 children were referred by their families. In all, 159 children received early intervention services to promote their development in 2008.

In April we will be hosting our Annual Easter Egg Hunt for families in Fond du Lac County's Birth to 3 Program. We hope you and your family will be able to join us. We have lots of fun activities planned for the children and each year the Easter Bunny makes a surprise visit. You will want to be sure to remember your camera. This year our Egg Hunt will be held on Tuesday, April 7th from 4:30 P.M. until 5:30 P.M. in the gym at the Health Care Center.

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Birth to Three Easter Eggstravanganza

Our Annual Birth to Three Easter Eggstravanganza will be held on Tuesday, April 7, 2009 from 4:30 P.M. until 5:30 P.M.

This party is for all children and families in the Birth to 3 Program.

It will again be held in the gym at the Health Care Center.



We will have cookies and juice and lots of fun activities for all to enjoy. Also, the Easter Bunny will be visiting all the children.

Watch your mail for a flyer coming soon!

News From Our Providers

Jen Taylor, Physical Therapist from Rehab Alliance had a baby girl on Wednesday, February 11, 2009.

Megan Madison Taylor was born weighing 6 pounds, 12 ounces.

Megan joins big sisters, Allison, Abigail and Emily.



Mom, dad and family are all doing well!

News from WIC

The WIC Program has been around for 35 years, providing nutrition education and supplemental foods for families across the United States. Over these past 35 years there have been very little changes in the food pack, BUT change is on the way!

Coming August, 2009... New WIC Food Package will only offer Low-fat (1%) or Skim milk to women and children 2 years of age and older. Whole milk will be issued for children who are 1 year old. Whole milk provides fats that are needed for brain development, which is important for developing children ages 1 to 2 years.

Please call the WIC Program at 920-929-3104 for more information.





A Look At Our First Year and Into the Future

It is hard to believe that we opened just over one year ago! I wanted to share some highlights of 2008, a year filled with excitement ranging from children's birthday party celebrations to adult gatherings.

- * We welcomed over 19,000 visitors, exceeding our targets for our first year!
- * Frequently parents from Milwaukee, Appleton and other communities use the museum as a place to gather with friends.
- * Our visitors have come from as far as Germany and boast that our museum offers "Big Town Quality" with "Small Town Character".
- * We are proud to have nearly 300 member families.
- * We celebrated our Grand Opening in August, after opening The Shadow Safari (Africa) and Great Wall Construction (China) exhibits. Now, children are able to travel the seven continents of the world when they visit CMFDL.
- * We continued to build partnerships with local non profits, individuals and corporations to ensure that all children are offered the opportunity to benefit from our unique hands on learning environment.
- * We enjoyed interacting with children from fieldtrips that included special needs classes, preschools, grade schools, daycares, ADVOCAP / Headstart, scouting organizations, Boys and Girls Club, and more. Our fieldtrip groups came from as far as Hustisford.
- * Due to the generosity of our capital campaign supporters, we reached our goal of raising over \$1 million dollars to create this facility of wonder, learning and excitement.

HOURS:

Monday—CLOSED Tuesday—CLOSED except Memorial Day to Labor Day open 9:00 am—1:00 pm
Wednesday and Thursday —9:00 am—5:00 pm
Friday—9:00 am—7:00 pm
Saturday and Sunday —10:00 am—4:00 pm
\$4.00—Non-member children one year and older
\$4.00—Non-member adults
FREE—Members and children under one

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Birth to Three/Early Childhood Network Meeting

Our next Birth to Three/Early Childhood Network Meeting will be held on Wednesday, April 1, 2009 from 12:00 noon until 1:30 P.M. It will be held in the Plaza Level Conference Room at St. Agnes Hospital. You enter through the hospital's lobby on Division Street, take the elevator down to the Plaza Level, take a right out of the elevator and go past the cafeteria.

This meeting is for all parents of children in the Fond du Lac County Birth to Three Program, Physicians, School District Personnel, Child Care Providers and Service Providers.

You may purchase your lunch at the hospital cafeteria or you may bring your own. We hope you will be able to attend.

Fond du Lac County Immunization Clinics

March

9 (Monday) 2:00-5:00, City-County Building, Fond du Lac
12 (Thursday) 4:00-6:00, Waupun Hospital
16 (Monday) 4:00-6:00, Mt. Calvary Holy Cross Church
23 (Monday) 4:00-6:00, City-County Building, Fond du Lac
25 (Wednesday) 4:00-6:00, Ripon High School

April

13 (Monday) 2:00-5:00, City-County Building, Fond du Lac
27 (Monday) 4:00-6:00, City-County Building, Fond du Lac

May

11 (Monday) 2:00-5:00—City-County Building, Fond du Lac
14 (Thursday) 4:00—6:00, Waupun Hospital
18 (Monday) 4:00—6:00, Mt. Calvary Holy Cross Church
25 (Monday) 4:00-6:00, City-County Building, Fond du Lac
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A shot clinic is held in Fond du Lac **by appointment only** on the **last Wednesday of each month from 8:00 to 11:30 AM**. To make an appointment or if you have any other immunization questions, please call **929-3085**.
